II. B. 756, an act in relation to piloting in the waters of Carteret county, was put on its passage.

Mr. Geoffroy offered a substitute for the bill, which was adopted, and the bill then passed its second and third readings and was ordered to be sent to the Senate without engrossment.

S. B. 451, H. B. 533, a bill to incorporate the Pioneer Fire Company, No. 2, city of Charlotte, passed its second and third readings and was ordered to be enrolled for ratification.

Senate amendments to H. B. 560, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the commissioners of Cherokee county, to levy a special tax, were concurred in, and the bill ordered to be enrolled for ratification.

S. B. 97, H. B. 569, a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the practice of Denistry in North Carolina, was put on its passage.

Mr. Scott moved to lay the bill on the table, which motion failed; and on a division the bill failed to pass its second reading.

- S. B. 734, H. B. 799, a bill to incorporate the Dan River Coal Mining Company, passed its second and third readings and was ordered to be enrolled for ratification.
- S. B. 601, II. B. 676, a bill to incorporate the Kings Mountain Mining Company, passed its second and third readings, and was ordered to be enrolled for ratification.
- Mr. Mosely, by consent, presented the following protest against the policy of a majority of the General Assembly, pursued in the election of magistrates yesterday, and it was ordered to be spread upon the journals of the House:

## A PROTEST.

The undersigned, respectfully but earnestly, protest against the policy which appears to have been approved by a majority of the Democratic members of this General Assembly in the election of colored magistrates in and for certain counties of this State. We believe that in the said election